



BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of the Regular Board of Police Commissioners Meeting Thursday, July 3, 2007

Committee of The Whole

The regular meeting of the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners was held on Thursday, July 3, 2007, at 3:00 p.m., at the Police Headquarters, 1300 Beaubien, Rm. 328-A, Detroit, Michigan 48226.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members Present

Erminia Ramirez
Jim Holley
Mohamed Okdie **(ABS)**
Willie Hampton **(ABS)**
Arthur Blackwell II **(ABS)**

Department Personnel Present

Chief Ella M. Bully-Cummings
AC Ralph Godbee
Sgt. Dwight Snodgrass
Sgt. William Sims
Sgt. Romel Alexander
PO Sophia Nelms

Board Staff Present

Dante' L. Goss, Executive Director
Lawana Ducker, Personnel Director
Denise R. Hooks, Attorney/Supervising Investigator
Arnold Sheard, Chief Investigator **(ABS)**
Ainsley Cromwell, Supervising Investigator
PO Kent Cooper **(ABS)**
Sgt. Elgin Murphy
Inv. Lawrence Akbar

Lt. Daniel Allen
Sr. Inv. Abdullah Nelson
Sgt. Arthur Divers
Inv. Roslyn Banks
Inv. Charlotte Jones
Inv. Latonya Coleman
Inv. Jeanise Monroe

OTHERS

Judge Jeanne Stempien
Jeffrey Nzoma

RECORDERS

Terence Bell
Robert Brown

1. OATH

Chairperson Holley introduced Judge Jeanne Stempien from the Judicial Court, who would be swearing in Comm. Ramirez as Chairperson.

Judge Jeanne Stempien swore Comm. Ramirez in as Chairperson.

Comm. Ramirez stated as the Board moves forward, she would have the Standing Committee assignments for the Commissioners. She will move toward having a Board Retreat when the new commissioners come on board and a date has been established. The Board will continue to work closely with the Chief and her staff regarding citizens' complaints. Some educational program also has to be in place for the citizens and officers.

2. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Ramirez called the regular meeting of the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners to order at 3:07p.m.

Chairperson Ramirez acknowledged the presence of the staff.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Agenda for July 3, 2007, was tabled due to the lack of a quorum.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes for June 28, 2007, was tabled due to the lack of a quorum.

5. **BOPC OFFICER'S REPORT**

1. CHAIRPERSON

2. SECRETARY'S REPORT

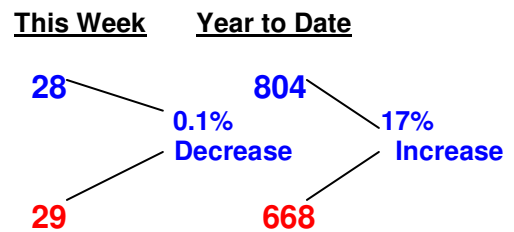
OFFICE CLOSING

The Board of Police Commissioners' Office and the Office of the Chief Investigator will be **CLOSED** on the following date:

- Wednesday, July 4, 2007, in observance of Independence Day.

CITIZEN COMPLAINTS RECEIVED

2007 - Weekly Count of Complaints:



2006 - Weekly Count of Complaints:

- The Office of the Chief Investigator has a total of **1,238** active investigations, of which **633** of those are for 2007.

TOTAL WEEKLY ALLEGATIONS

ARREST	0
DEMEANOR	13
FORCE	4
ENTRY	0
HARASSMENT	1
PROCEDURE	12
PROPERTY	0
SEARCH	1
SERVICE	7

TOTAL 35

COMMANDS

UNKNOWN	0
HOMICIDE	1
SW. DIST	1
CENT. DIST	0
EAST. DIST	5
WEST. DIST.	1
NW DIST.	13
GAMING	0
NARCOTICS	1
COMM/OPS	1
VICE ENFOR.	0
NE. DIST	5
TATICAL	0

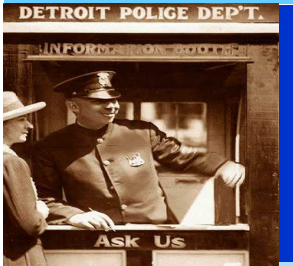
TOTAL 21

6. REPORT/PRESENTATION-CHIEF OF POLICE

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SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS



"BUILDING A SAFER DETROIT THROUGH COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS"

Detroit Police Department

Report to the Board of Police Commissioners

The Detroit Police Department is committed to uphold its mission to provide a safe environment for our residents and businesses. This effort is not possible without the joint commitment of the community and the Police Department. We appreciate and value the role our citizens have played in helping us to take the guns and drugs off the streets of the city of Detroit.

Narcotics/Gang Enforcement

During the period of June 25, 2007 through July 1, 2007, **Narcotics/Gang Enforcement executed 23 search warrants and 29 street enforcement actions** within the boundaries of the city of Detroit, resulting in the following arrests and confiscations:

- 30 Felony arrests
- 81 Misdemeanor arrests
- 7 Juveniles detained
- 1,205.20 grams of cocaine, 45.18 grams of heroin and 2488.20 grams of marijuana with a total street value:
- \$ 573,356.80
- \$ 1,070,056.00 in U.S. Currency
- Confiscated:
- 8 Handguns

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

On June 26th, officers of the North-western District responded to the 20000 block of Biltmore on a "Person with a Weapon," which resulted in an arrest. Subsequent to the investigation conducted by members of Domestic Violence, the subject was later charged with (1) Felonious Assault and (2) Domestic Violence.



Engaging the Community

ATTENTION

Citizens wishing to make a police report may do so at the Districts in the city of Detroit. Citizens may also utilize the following District Sub-Stations to make reports.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Hours of Operation</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
2151 E. Jefferson	24 Hours	596-6400
7737 Kercheval	8 a.m.-8 p.m.	852-4778
13206 E. Jefferson	8 a.m.-8 p.m.	852-5759
19810 Grand River	8 a.m.-8 p.m.	935-5322
13530 Lesure	8 a.m.-8 p.m.	596-5300
12000 Livernois	24 Hours	237-2555

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Special points of interest:

• Next meeting:

Thursday, July 12, 2007

@ 6:30 P.M.

CHAPEL HILL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

5000 JOY ROAD

Detroit, Michigan 48204

Police / Community Intervention

JULY 3, 2007



VIOLENT CRIMES TASK FORCE

Due to the diligent efforts of members of the Violent Crimes Task Force and Repeat Offenders, on June 26th, two missing and endangered children listed with the "Amber Alert" National Broadcast System were located unharmed.

HOMICIDE

On June 27th, officers of the Eastern District responded to the 6000 block of Barrett on a "Possible Deceased Person." Subsequent to the investigation conducted by members of Homicide, two subjects were charged with (1) 1st Degree Murder, (2) Habitual 2nd Offense, and (3) Felony Firearm.



SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT

On June 27th, officers of the Southwestern District responded to the 15000 block of Steel on a "Home Invasion in Progress." As a result of their investigation, two subjects were arrested for Home Invasion.

CHILD ABUSE

On June 25th, officers assigned to the Central District responded to the 400 block of W. Fort, for suspected child abuse. Following the investigation conducted by Child Abuse, an arrest was made, charging the suspect with Child Abuse 1st Degree.



7. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no standing committee reports.

8. NEW BUSINESS

Chairperson Ramirez stated that Atty. Hooks has been working very hard to get the mediation program started. City Council has approved the necessary funds in the Board budget and they are awaiting response from the Mayor's office. It has taken years to get to this point. This process will allow for mediation between the citizens and the officers before it becomes a Citizen Complaint Report.

Chairperson Holley asked Atty. Hooks when Comm. Blackwell and Comm. Hampton term expires and when are the new commissioners expected. This will give the Board an idea on when to plan the Retreat.

Atty. Hooks stated that question would be better directed to the Exec Director because she is not sure when their term expires or when the Mayor will appoint new Commissioners.

Exec Dir Goss stated he would check into it.

RESOLUTIONS

Bobbie Trotter

WHEREAS Bobbie Trotter was appointed to the Detroit Police Department on June 16, 1977. Upon graduation from the Detroit Metropolitan Police Academy, Officer Trotter began his career with the Twelfth Precinct. Other assignments as an officer included the Eighth Precinct (formerly the Sixteenth Precinct) and the city of Detroit Law Department, where he served for approximately seven years; and

WHEREAS On December 30, 1994, Officer Trotter was promoted to the rank of Investigator and assigned to the Recruiting Unit; and

WHEREAS On July 24, 1998, Investigator Trotter was promoted to the rank of Sergeant and assigned to the Tenth Precinct as a supervisor. On September 26, 2003, Sergeant Trotter was assigned to the Civil Rights Integrity Bureau (C.R.I.B.). On May 1, 2004, he was assigned to the Office of Civil Rights as a supervisor on the Compliance Team and then the Audit Team, where he remained until his retirement on January 31, 2007, after over Thirty (30) years of service; and

WHEREAS During his career, Sergeant Trotter was the recipient of the 1980 GOP Commemorative Award, one (1) Chief's Unit Award, two (2) Chief's Merit Awards, and numerous letters of appreciation; and

WHEREAS Sergeant Trotter is widely respected throughout the law enforcement community as the consummate professional.

Now, therefore be it

RESOLVED That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, speaking for the citizens of the city of Detroit and the Detroit Police Department, awards this Resolution in recognition of the exemplary service Sergeant Bobbie Trotter gave to the community and the Department. Sergeant Trotter has served the citizens of Detroit and the Detroit Police Department with loyalty, professional, integrity and dedication. His commitment to law enforcement and public service merits our highest regard and best wishes for continued success

We thank and congratulate you, Sergeant Bobbie D. Trotter.

/s/ Erminia Ramirez
Chairperson

/s/ Jim Holley
Vice Chairperson

/s/ Mohamed Okdie
Commissioner

/s/ Willie Hampton
Commissioner

**ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
July 3, 2007**

/s/ Arthur Blackwell, II
Commissioner

The Resolution for Sgt. Bobbie Trotter was tabled because there was no quorum.

Gerard Simon

WHEREAS Gerard M. Simon was appointed to the Detroit Police Department on March 13, 1975, and upon graduating from the Detroit Metropolitan Police Academy, began his illustrious career at the Fourteenth Precinct. Other assignments of Officer Simon included the Youth Crime Unit and approximately five and a half years with the Thirteenth Precinct; and

WHEREAS On June 28, 1985, Officer Simon was promoted to the rank of Sergeant. After completing Officers' Candidate School (OCS), Sergeant Simon was assigned to the Fourth Precinct. His other assignments included a second tour of duty with the Youth Crime Unit, where he served for approximately six years until his transfer to the Central Intelligence Bureau Staff; and

WHEREAS On August 26, 1994, Sergeant Simon was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. After completing OCS, Lieutenant Simon was reassigned to the Fourth Precinct. Other assignments included the Crimes Against Persons Section, the Armed Robbery Unit, and the Special Crimes Section/Narcotics Special Enforcement Section; and

WHEREAS On July 17, 1998, Lieutenant Simon was appointed to the rank of Inspector and assigned to the Narcotics Special Enforcement Section; and

WHEREAS On August 23, 1999, Inspector Simon was appointed to the rank of Commander and assigned to the Metropolitan Division. As commander, his other assignments included the Narcotics Enforcement Division, the Narcotics Support Division, the Organized Crime and Gangs Division, Commanding Officer of the Seventh Precinct, the Civil Rights Integrity Bureau – Holding Cell Compliance Committee, and the Office of the Assistant Chief Operations Portfolio; and

WHEREAS On January 17, 2007, Commander Simon was assigned to the Northwestern District where he remained until his retirement on July 7, 2007; and

WHEREAS During his Thirty-two-year career, Commander Simon was the recipient of numerous awards, including (1) 1980 GOP Commemorative Award, (1) Departmental Citation, (4) Citations, (2) Chief's Merit Awards, (6) Chief's Unit Awards, and (5) Perfect Attendance Awards. Commander Simon was also the recipient of an impressive collection of letters of commendations from the United States Secret Services, United States Attorney General's Office United States Majority Leader, United States Brigadier General, United States Department of Justice, former Mayor Dennis Archer, Former Chief of Police Benny N. Napoleon, former Farmington Police Chief Department Chief W. Dwyer, the Detroit Red Wings, Executive Director of the National Advancement of Colored People (N.A.A.C.P.), WJBL Radio Station, judges, law enforcement agencies, universities, citizens, businesses, schools and community organizations, and

WHEREAS Other honors bestowed upon Commander Simon were recognition as "Policeman of the Year" by the Exchange Club of Northwest Detroit, and as a "Champion of Children" by the Children's Aid Society; and

WHEREAS Commander Simon is well trained in civilian and law enforcement areas, having graduated with honors from Eastern University with a post-graduate degree in Liberal Studies, as well as graduating from the prestigious Northwestern University Traffic Institute School of Police Staff and Command, the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) National Academy, and the Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) Drug Unit Commander's Academy; and

WHEREAS The consummate professional, Commander Simon received certificates of achievement from the University of Virginia's school of Criminal Justice Education, Michigan State University in "Forensic Pathology: The Investigation of Violent Death," and the Hoover Institution at Stanford University in "Ethical Issues Involved in Drug Enforcement." He also received certificates in Advanced (Computer Aided) Intelligence Analysis, Police and Tourism: Tourist Safety and Hospitality Seminar, and the Field Training Course of the National Fire Academy; and

WHEREAS With his concentration in youth crime and gangs, Commander Simon attended the United States Department of Justice – FBI “Gangs, Developmental Issues & Criminal Behavior” Training, completed the John E. Reid & Associates, Incorporated Gang and Drug Crime Investigation training course, and attended the National Gang Crime Research Center Primary Gang Specialist Program. He was also a participant in the State of Michigan’s “Senate Youth Gang Violence Task Force,” the U.S. Attorney’s “Detroit Project,” the “Safe Schools/Healthy Students Task Group, and the Juvenile Crime Enforcement Coalition of the Wayne County Human Services Coordinating Body.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED That the Board of Police Commissioners, speaking for the citizens of Detroit and the Detroit Police Department, awards this Resolution to Commander Gerard M. Simon in recognition of his 32 years of distinguished and professional service. Commander Simon generously gifted the department and the citizens with his vast knowledge of law enforcement, particularly in the areas of youth crime and gangs, and with his professionalism. His outstanding commitment and dedication to public service and to improving the quality of life for all citizens merits our highest regards and sincere wishes for an equally successful future.

We salute and congratulate you, Commander Gerard M. Simon.

/s/ Erminia Ramirez
Chairperson

/s/ Mohamed Okdie
Commissioner

/s/ Jim Holley
Vice Chairperson

/s/ Willie Hampton
Commissioner

**ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
July 3, 2007**

/s/ Arthur Blackwell, II
Commissioner

The Resolution for Cmdr. Gerard Simon was tabled because there was no quorum

9. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

10. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING

**Thursday, July 12, 2007 @ 6:30 p.m.
Western District
Chapel Hill Missionary Baptist Church
5000 Joy Road
Detroit, MI 48204**

11. ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were no oral communications.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DANTE' L. GOSS
Executive Director
Board of Police Commissioners

DLG/rb